

SOCIAL EVENTS

burg commandery No. 13, Knights Templar.

The reception will start at 8:30 o'clock and at 9 o'clock the grand march will begin. Sir Knights are requested to appear in full uniform, loss sword.

Elaborate arrangements are being made for this affair, and it promises to be one of the biggest social events in the history of the city. The temple will be beautifully decorated for the occasion.

A program of dance music will be played by the Cadenza orchestra of this city.

The patronesses are Mesdames D. W. Jacobs, Charles E. Lambert, H. Williams, I. Wade Coffman, H. E.

Travis, Charles B. Stout, Harvey F. Smith, H. C. Coffman, B. F. Matheny and N. S. Longbaugh.

House Party.

The following item of interest here is taken from the social column of the Parkersburg Sentinel:

Mrs. W. W. Walker entertained a delightful house party this week at her home, the guests numbering her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Bell, of Marietta; Mrs. A. E. Stewart, of Clarksburg; and Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Hammett, of Marietta. The Marietta visitors returned home today, accompanied by Mrs. Stewart, who will visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hammett, before returning to Clarksburg.

WOMAN SEES IT

Rheta Childs Dorr

Overshadowed by greater memorial, the centenary of that extraordinary genius, Charlotte Brontë, which occurred April 21, passed almost unnoticed in her native England.

Charlotte was born into a world that had little use for women geniuses, and she and her sisters, Anne and Emily Brontë, produced their novels and poems without any of the encouragement that comes from work recognized and rewarded. Their father, the rector of the bleak moor village which was their home, was interested only in his son, a half-mad alcoholic, and his daughters' literary achievements seemed insignificant to him.

Until the age of twenty-six the passionate, silent, ambition-cursed Charlotte lived in the desolate manse at Haworth. Timidly, yet with resolution she and her sisters had tried to touch hands with the rich literary life of their time. They sent some of their work to the poet Southey and also to Wordsworth, but these laureled worthies gave them nothing more than chilly encouragement.

Completely disheartened Charlotte renounced literature and went to Brussels to become a pupil teacher in the Pensionnat Heger. Here a new life, full of life, love, awakened aspiration, began. No one knows or ever will know the true story of Charlotte Brontë's affair with her teacher, Prof. Heger. There may have been nothing between them but friendship, but whatever it was, it gave Charlotte the inspiration she needed, freed her genius, furnished her with a medium in which she could work. To the middle-aged Belgian professor it gave an immortality his own talents would never have won him. He lives in literary annals only because a great woman loved him.

In the prime fifties when Charlotte Brontë's genius flowered into that early best seller, "Jane Eyre," and the only less popular "Shirley" and "Villette," women were in their "half angel, half idiot" phase of development. Charlotte dared to paint women with minds, and with human passions. She expressed opinions on social problems, education, poverty, factory conditions, things of which women were supposed to know nothing.

No wonder "Jane Eyre" was described in the "Quarterly Review" as "an un-Christian composition" or that the priggish George Lewes should carp at the "over-masculine vigor" of "Shirley."

Charlotte Brontë was one of the first women who dared to be an artist, who dared to take up life like a sword, and how her way through conventions, inhibitions, traditions to an ultimate goal. She did not fear suffering or loneliness, or hostile criticism. She lived.

Fashions in literature, as in other things change. "Villette" is almost the only one of her novels read today. But although the world may tire of reading her books, it will never cease to read eagerly everything written about Charlotte Brontë. That, after all, is real, enduring fame.

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OIL AND GAS DEVELOPMENT OF TRI-STATE

Latest Reports of Operations in West Virginia, Pennsylvania and Ohio.

The rounding out of development work of the week in the eastern fields was not attended by anything sensational. Aside from an increased number of completions there was no departure from the routine that has characterized development work since the first of the year. Operators are making a very great effort to find new production, but the result is far from satisfactory. The old districts, in which most wells are drilled, are no longer capable of furnishing large producers and the combined production of all the completions in such districts is very small. During the last week, West Virginia alone supplied producers of an average better than any of the eastern fields. There were not many of them and all located in defined territory.

Reports from the mid-continent fields are to the effect that western operators are not meeting with much success in their efforts to find new producing territory. This is all the more remarkable when it is known that a greater effort is now under way than at any time in the past. With no new fields in sight, eastern operators and producers are encouraged to believe

that the market will not be reduced in the near future. It is the consensus of opinion that a new field will have to be forthcoming at no distant day if a further depreciation of stocks is to be averted.

Field Developments.

With the kind of wells the eastern fields are now completing and very little new producing territory in sight the prospects for increasing production are very slight. The digits on one hand would be sufficient to enumerate all of the wells in the eastern fields producing 100 or more barrels a day. In the Weir sand development on Blue creek, Elk district, Kanawha county, the Ohio Fuel Oil Company completed and shot No. 3 on the Henry A. Sampson farm. It is located 600 feet southwest of No. 1 and produced twenty-five barrels the first twenty-four hours. On the same stream and in the same district, the Ohio Fuel Company drilled its test on the A. B. Edens farm through the Weir sand and gave it a shot. It may make a very light producer.

A Good Producer.

In the same development, the South Penn Oil Company has completed a larger well than has been the rule for some time in that district. It is this company's No. 9 on the W. A. McCorkle farm and the first sixteen hours after it was drilled into the Weir sand produced 160 barrels. However, this is no indication of what it will be doing at the end of a week for the wells in that district decline very rapidly. Shooting has a stimulating effect on the wells in this district. The Ohio Fuel Oil Company's No. 11 on the Edward Gebhart farm was down to almost nothing but a shot brought it up to thirty barrels a day. The same company's No. 1 on the Frank Myers farm was down to ten barrels a day and increased to thirty barrels. The South Penn Oil Company shot its No. 7 on the J. V. R. Skinner farm and brought its production up from five to twenty-five barrels the ensuing twenty-four hours.

Duster in Ritchie County.

At Mole Hill, Clay district, Ritchie county, Pittsburg and Clarksburg parties drilled through the Maxon sand and scored a duster on the J. K. Whitecotton farm. On Laurel run, Murphy district, the Hope Natural Gas Company drilled its test on the C. L. Douglass farm from the gas to the Big Injun sand and secured a gasser in the lower formation.

Gassers are the result of late completions in Harrison county. On West Fork river, Clark district, the Clarksburg Light and Heat Company has completed a test on the L. E. Barnett farm and secured a very good gasser in the fifth sand. On the same waters in Union district, the Hope Natural Gas Company has a thirty-foot gasser on the V. L. Sidebottom farm. In gas producers, Wetzel county is in the same class with Harrison. On Fishing creek, Grant district, the Hope Nat-

My Mother

(The War Cry.)

She gave the best years of her life
With joy to me,
And robbed herself, with loving heart,
Unstintingly,

For me with willing hands she toiled
From day to day;
For me she prayed when headstrong youth
Would have its way.

Her gentle arms, my cradle once,
Are weary now;
And time has set the seal of care
Upon her brow.

And, though no other eyes than mine
Their meaning trace,
I read my history in the lines
Of her dear face.

And 'mid his gems, who showers
His gifts
As shining sands,
I count her days as pearls that fall
From his kind hands.

ural Gas Company drilled a test on the F. M. and C. Brookover farm through all sands. It is a light gasser in the fifth sand. On the same stream and in the same district, the Manufacturers Light and Heat Company has a Maxon sand gasser on the S. S. Potts farm. The Carnegie Natural Gas Company drilled No. 3 on the Surilda Stoneking farm through all sands and found it dry. On Long Drain run, the Hope Natural Gas Company's test on the Fountain Smith farm is a gasser in the Big Injun sand.

Southeastern Ohio.

Operators in the shallow sand districts in southeastern Ohio are up against a pretty hard proposition in their search for new production. Dusters are conspicuous in all districts and the Rindars Mills district, Ludlow township, Washington county furnished a striking illustration. One-half mile north of production, the Carter Oil Company drilled its test on the Henry Nowder farm through the Berea grit and found nothing. One-half mile northeast of production on the John Cline farm, Rowland and Company drilled a test on the James Howells farm through the Big Injun sand and got one of the same kind. East of production 1,000 feet, Graham, Hall and Company drilled a test on the Benjamin Hood farm through the first Cow Run sand and completed the trio of dusters in this district.

In the Reas Run district, Independence township, W. E. Sykes and Company are drilling a second test on the Salesberry heirs' farm and the Bradford heirs are drilling No. 3 on their own farm. In Lawrence township, L. O. Dauber and Company are drilling No. 6 on the Katherine Jauber farm and J. B. Braden and Company are drilling No. 4 on the H. G. Kidd farm.

Dusters in Noble County.

In the Caldwell district, Olive township, Noble county, Lasnet and Croen drilled a test on the J. L. Tilton farm through the Berea grit and S. W. King and Company drilled No. 5 on the Martin McAtee farm through the Macksburg 700-foot sand. Both are dry. Near Elba, Jefferson township, Thomas Nally and Company drilled a second test on the George Singer farm through the Buell Run sand and have a very light pumper. In Malta township, Morgan county, the Malta Petroleum Company's No. 10 on the Agnes Younklin farm is a very light pumper in the Cow Run sand.

South of Cadiz in the southwest quarter of Section 23, Green township, Harrison county, the K. M. G. Oil Company drilled a test on the L. A. Morehead farm through the Berea grit and it shows for a natural producer good for two or three barrels a day. It will do better after shot. North of developments in Rumley township, Callahan and Company's test on the N. Adams farm is a duster in the Berea grit. Six miles northwest of Seio in Perry township, Carroll county, the Butterfield Oil Company has started to drill a wildcat on the John Butterfield farm.

U.S. MUST INTERVENE, SAYS GOV. FERGUSON



Gov. James E. Ferguson.

Governor Ferguson of Texas has issued a statement declaring for intervention in Mexico. "Since we have started we may as well finish the job. A temporary protection will accomplish nothing," he says.

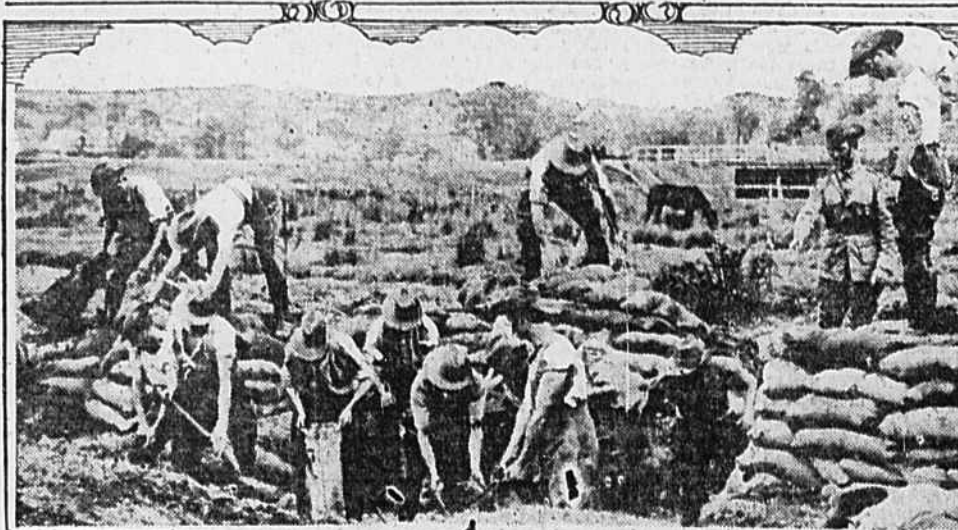
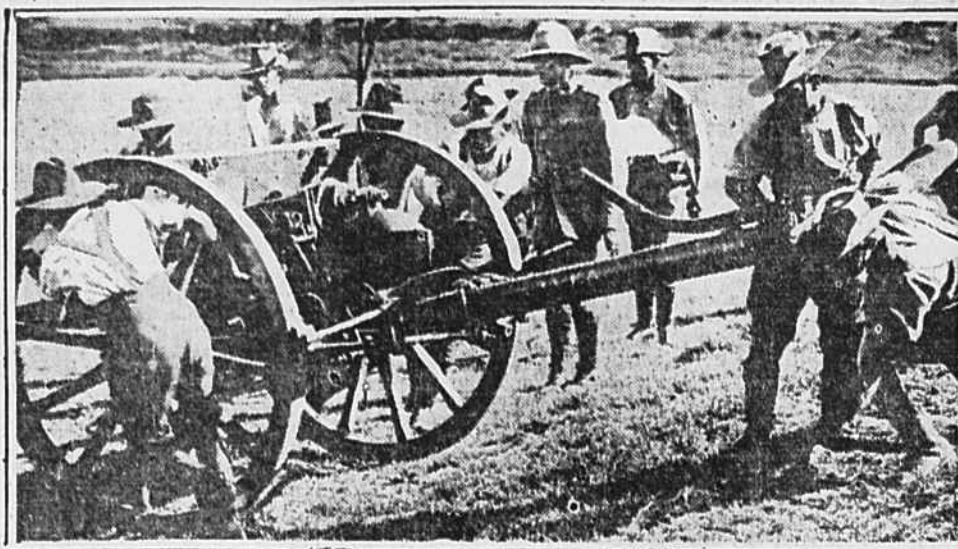
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AUSTRALIAN TROOPS EAGER FOR CHANCE TO SHOW PROWESS



Top, unlimbering and placing a gun in Liverpool camp at Sydney, Australia. Bottom, troops in training, building trenches for artillery.

Because of the poor opportunities given the Australians to show what they can do in battle, considerable disappointment has been manifested in England's big island province. These pictures, which have just arrived from Sydney, show Australian troops training hard, in the hope that they may soon be sent to the western front.

SECOND GRANT IS MISSOURIAN

Who Declares He Intends to See Famous Moving Picture All Way Through.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., May 13.—Uncle Sam and his preparedness plans can go to the perdition bow-wows this summer for all John Sutter, of Boone, Mo., cares.

Learning that the moving picture serial "Strange Case of Mary Page" is not shown on the regular program at the United States marine corps recruit depot, Port Royal, S. C., Sutter

absolutely refused to enlist after passing the examination, and asked to have his entry into the service postponed until he could see the remaining chapters of the serial.

"But other and more interesting pictures are shown at the recruit depot," the local marine corps recruiting officer told Sutter.

"I don't care about that," returned the recruit. "I started in to see what happened to Mary Page and I'm going to see it through if it takes all summer."

This statement shows upon careful analysis, the recruiting officer said, a close resemblance to another made by General Grant years ago, and is a strong indication that the recruit is imbued with a proper spirit of grit and determination.

But in any case the United States marine corps will have to wait for John Sutter, of Boone, Mo., until Mary Page gets through with him.

Whether sounds accompany the aurora borealis, as is asserted by natives of far northern latitudes, is being investigated by Norwegian scientists.

NOTICE.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:—

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned will, on the 24th day of May, A. D., 1916, apply to the circuit court of Harrison county, West Virginia, at the court house thereof, for a license to carry a revolver.

The undersigned name is James B. Lee; place of residence, Byron, West Virginia; occupation, night-watchman for the Hutchinson Coal Company.

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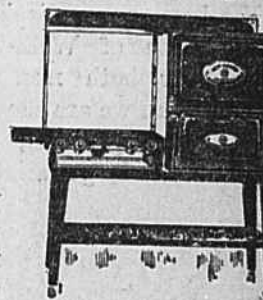
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